

## InJAC Quarterly Meeting Minutes September 16, 2009

### In Attendance:

**Children & Youth** - Julie Slavens, Michelle Mease, Deb Lulling, Lisa Reed, Phyllis Lewis

**Data & Surveillance**- Marc Rosenman, Hesam Lahsaee

**Environmental Quality**- Karen Teliha, Lisa Caldwell

**Health Care Providers Committee**- Fred Leickly, Jan Moore, Chris Vican, Jonathan Barclay, Scott Wagner, Kelly Henderson, Kristie Fernamberg

**Public Education**- Brenda Wilkerson, Robin Costley, Trisha Dane

**Other Attendees**- Aimee Cotrell, Carolyn Valachovic

### **Welcome- Dr. Fred Leickly (for Marti Michel)**

- Introduction of attendees
- Approval of meeting minutes from 6-18-2009

### **ISDH Updates and Competitive Grant Information**- Trisha Dane, ISDH Asthma Program. [Tdane@isdh.in.gov](mailto:Tdane@isdh.in.gov).

- ISDH did receive continued funding from CDC through the competitive grant submitted in May. This will be a five-year award and the Asthma Program will receive an additional \$115,000 per year. ISDH did not receive the award for the 'Expanded Interventions Section' which would have been a joint project with the American Lung Association.
- ISDH/ALA will be hiring for two positions associated with this increase in funding – Environmental Health Specialist and Program Evaluator. These will be contracted positions through the American Lung Association. More information on how people can apply will be provided.
- H1N1 and Asthma fact sheet available on [www.asthma.in.gov](http://www.asthma.in.gov). Please feel free to copy and distribute as we prepare for the fall.
- Indiana has a new Adolescent Health Plan. To view the plan, visit [www.INadolescenthealth.org](http://www.INadolescenthealth.org)
- Assessment of State Plan Goals, Objectives, and Strategies. Assessment revealed that much has been accomplished over the last 5 years. Trisha provided a list of all of the major projects that have been completed. Contact Trisha for more info.
- Lead Safe and Healthy Homes Conference – Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> at the Marten House. [www.ikecoalition.org](http://www.ikecoalition.org)
  - Asthma Track-asthma basics, creative asthma programs, green & clean, etc.
  - Registration Fees -\$135, \$95 for additional persons
  - Asthma Safe and Healthy Homes Awards – Nomination form on web site that can be emailed to Janet-Deadline is Oct. 1.

**Allen County Asthma Coalition**- Jan Moore, Parkview Hospital. For more information about her presentation, please contact Jan at [jmoore@parkview.com](mailto:jmoore@parkview.com)

**About Special Kids**- Lynda Peterson, Marketing and Outreach Coordinator. For more information, please contact Lynda at [Lynda@aboutspeciallykids.org](mailto:Lynda@aboutspeciallykids.org)

**Partnership for Healthier Johnson County**- Brenda Wilkerson, Johnson Memorial Hospital. For more information, please contact Brenda at [bwilkerson@johnsonmemorial.org](mailto:bwilkerson@johnsonmemorial.org).

### **Committee Updates**

**Data & Surveillance**- Update given by Hesam Lahsaee on ISDH activities. He has been working on Evaluation of Coach's Clipboard, BRFSS Call-Back Survey analysis and report, Chronic Diseases burden report, 2007 asthma hospital discharge data, Evaluation of 2008 burden report, Preparing data and report for Asthma Fall news letter. No information submitted for Data & Surveillance Workgroup.

**Public Education-** Report given by Katey Nicely- The public education group has been working on distribution of the print materials. On July 10<sup>th</sup> we went on the Local Health Department webcast to let all the Local Health Departments know that we had these materials available. We also created an asthma page on the Local Health Department SharePoint site; this is a site that all the local health departments have a password and username to log on. We also did a mass mailing to all 95 local health departments. The mass mailing contained material order forms, color pictures of the materials, and a “help us help your community form” that looks like this. We have received 10 of these forms back with contact information of people that might be interested in the asthma materials. We have sent out mailings to all of these contacts. Robin Costly also provided with a list of contacts which we have sent a mailing to. Anne Alley sent the information through e-mail to all Community Health Centers and Randy Gardner also sent the information through e-mail to the MCH clinics.

Since July 10<sup>th</sup> because of all our efforts, 8,733 InJAC asthma material items have been sent out, all across Indiana. We are also still getting more orders in weekly. However it is slowing down so, I have the Help Us Help Your Community forms available. Please fill it out and fax it to me or e-mail me and I will send you an electronic version to fill in. Thank you for your help.

The next Public Education Workgroup meeting will be Oct 16th at ISDH from 830-10am. We would be very pleased if any of you would join us to help us plan our next project.

**Children & Youth** – Report given by Julie Slavens- The Indiana asthma team is getting ready to send the survey out to the 50 school corporations to determine a relationship between asthma and absenteeism. We will be sharing the information with the data surveillance workgroup. The data will be gathered from October 1 to December 1.

From Trisha Dane regarding Child Care Provider Training –As of 8/31/09, 11 trainings and 232 participants. Still compiling pre and post test results to assess changes in knowledge. In-person trainings are available through the Child Care Health Consultant Program.

**Environmental Quality-** Report given by Trisha Dane. Meeting held to re-group and update everyone on what is going on around the state. The following groups shared information about their organizations/programs: American Lung Association, ISDH Indoor Air, ISDH Asthma Program, IDEM Office of Air Quality, IDEM Office of Pollution Prevention and Technical Assistance, Improving Kids Environment (IKE), Alliance for Health Promotion/Health by Design, Knozone, Delaware County Health Department.

Their goal is to reach the largest population possible with our project. Projects ideas will be part of the decision making at the next workgroup meeting set for October 8, 2009 at 12:30.

Possible focus areas include:

- New Rule being developed specific to school indoor air quality inspections and best practice manual. ISDH Indoor Air Program would welcome input from InJAC on this project.
- Policy issues – should this be a focus since we can possibly reach greater numbers of people?
- Sanitary Schoolhouse Rule
- Tobacco/Smokefree Air
- Breatheasyville
- Data Collection
- EPA – Tools for Schools

**Health Care Providers-** Dr. Leickly presented information on the Health Care Provider Workgroup CME Project. This program is now live on the InJAC Web site. Question was raised re: promotion of the CME. ISDH is attempting to contact professional associations to include information about the CME in their newsletters to members. InJAC members are also asked to help spread the word to other coalitions that they may participate in or include a link to the program on their organization web site if appropriate.

#### **Other Business-**

- Dr. Leickly was awarded with the first **“Most Leickly to Succeed”** Award for his great leadership and above and beyond efforts to complete the Continuing Medical Education Project on the NHLBI guidelines. This award will be given to InJAC Members exhibiting great leadership and dedication to successfully complete a project to reduce the burden of asthma in Indiana.
- Kelly Henderson thanked InJAC Members for participation in Healthy Hoops. Approximately 120 kids participated, 90 of whom had asthma. A follow-up Pacers-focused event is being planned for February or March.

#### **Schedule for 2009 InJAC Quarterly Meetings**

Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup> 9:00- 11:30 am (ISDH, Rice Auditorium)

Note: Elections will be held at the December meeting- details to follow in November.

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